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I am an American citizen by birth, a tax payer by virtue of that citizenship, and a taxpaying citizen who feels that I am about to be betrayed by the very agency that was established to provide me justice as defined by the Constitution and the laws of the land.

The courts found Microsoft to be a monopoly and to have illegally used that monopoly power. As that is the findings of the court your job is to remedy that finding. The proposed settlement by the Department of Justice does not even begin to address the issues of contractual bundling, middleware bundling, restoring competition to the operating systems market or deal with Microsoft's latest assault on the free market of the United States, Windows XP.

I call upon you today as a US citizen to act in the best interest of myself, my children, and my fellow citizens and hold Microsoft accountable for their illegal activities. Turn away from the modus operandi of the Clinton era that fails to punish criminals and actually encourages criminal activity. Do not reward Microsoft for their illegal activities as the current settlement does.

Even if you fail to compensate the legions of companies and people who's livelihood was destroyed in the wake of the illegal ramagings of the 2-ton gorilla that is Microsoft, at least protect us from further assault on our free market and Microsoft's attempts to undermine the infrastructure of capitalism as we know it. Let us be frank and realistic. Microsoft's tentacles are quickly extending into and engulfing various other markets fueled by their illegal manipulation of the operating system market.

The future of capitalism itself is now in YOUR hands. Do yourselves, your department, and your country proud, hold Microsoft accountable.

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